PETITION FO	R EXTENSION OF TIME	Docket No.:	ABB1207P0860US						
Serial No.:	09/669,082	Filing Date:	September 25, 2000						
Group Art Unit:	1641 FEB 1 1 2005 12	Examiner:	Pensee T. Do						
Applicant(s):	Richard L. Stopp, et al.								
Invention:	Methods and Kits for Decreasing Interferences in Plasma or Serum Containing Assay Samples of Specific Binding Assays								

Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of August 10, 2004 in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached Response timely.

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_	e Entity: l Entity:	<u> </u>	\$120.00 \$60.00	<u> </u>	\$450.00 \$225.00	<b>⊠</b>	\$1,020.00 \$510.00		\$1,590.00 \$795.00	
	A check in the amount of \$1,020.00 to cover the extension fee is enclosed.									
	Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 23-0785.									
×	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-0785. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.									

Respectfully submitted

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## **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that this Petition For Extension of Time is being deposited with the United States Postal Services with first class mail sufficient postage an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on February 8, 2005.

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